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Sir:

In order to fulfill the requirements of candor and good faith set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants submit herewith the following Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98.

UNITED STATES PATENTS

PATENTEE(S)	PATENT NO.	ISSUE DATE
C.A. Porter	2,051,009	August 11, 1936
R.G. Anderson	2,631,318	March 17, 1953
Gillespie	4,211,750	July 8, 1980
Bokmiller	4,638,910	January 27, 1987
Sandt	4,940,139	July 10, 1990

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

<u>COUNTRY</u> <u>PUBLICATION NO.</u> <u>PUBLICATION DATE</u>

United Kingdom GB 510,900 January 6, 1939

France FR 1.252.344 March 16, 1960

CONCISE EXPLANATION OF NON-ENGLISH REFERENCE

French Patent document FR 1,252,344 relates to a flexible cover for mops and sponges attached to a handle. The cover is retained in place over the sponge by binding the cover around the handle.

The above-referenced documents are listed on PTO Form 1449. Copies of the cited documents have been enclosed to facilitate reference to them.

Applicants are not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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